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# HOUSE BILL No. 1263

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-10.1-30; IC 20-12-22.5.

**Synopsis:** Teacher education incentives. Allows school corporations to establish student exploratory teaching programs to encourage high school students to pursue a career in the field of education. Sets forth requirements for the programs. Allows the department of education to provide grants to the programs. Provides that a student who: (1) successfully completes a program; (2) receives an initial teaching license; and (3) is employed to teach by an Indiana school corporation; may enter into an agreement with the state student assistance commission to have the commission assume the repayment of 15% of the student's undergraduate loans for each year the student teaches during the first five years after the student graduates. Allows the department of education to award not more than 20 \$15,000 grants during the 2002-2003 school year to school corporations for programs.

**Effective:** July 1, 2001; July 1, 2002.

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January 9, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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## HOUSE BILL No. 1263

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education and to make an appropriation.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 20-10.1-30 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2001]:  
4 **Chapter 30. Student Exploratory Teaching Program and Grant**  
5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "program" refers to a student**  
6 **exploratory teaching program established by a school corporation**  
7 **under this chapter.**  
8 **Sec. 2. (a) A school corporation may establish a student**  
9 **exploratory teaching program to encourage high school students**  
10 **to pursue a career in the field of education.**  
11 **(b) A program established under this chapter must include the**  
12 **following:**  
13 **(1) Availability to talented students of various ethnic and**  
14 **socioeconomic backgrounds.**  
15 **(2) Courses and programs that:**  
16 **(A) develop awareness, appreciation, and understanding of**  
17 **the field of education as a career;**



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- 1 (B) develop awareness of the needs of others through  
 2 personal and academic growth and experience; and  
 3 (C) raise competence and skills in communications,  
 4 multimedia techniques, educational pedagogy, and  
 5 management;  
 6 for student participants.  
 7 (3) Extensive field experiences and observation and  
 8 opportunities for community service.  
 9 (4) Assistance with access to institutions of higher education.  
 10 (5) Partnerships with community businesses and  
 11 organizations.  
 12 (c) The department shall develop models of programs for use by  
 13 school corporations in establishing programs under this chapter.  
 14 Sec. 3. (a) After establishing a program under this chapter, a  
 15 school corporation may apply for a grant from the department for  
 16 use in carrying out the program.  
 17 (b) A school corporation:  
 18 (1) may not use a grant to establish; and  
 19 (2) shall use a grant to further develop and carry out;  
 20 a program under this chapter.  
 21 Sec. 4. The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 stating the  
 22 criteria upon which grants may be made under this chapter. The  
 23 department may make grants to school corporations from funds  
 24 made available for the purposes of this chapter.  
 25 SECTION 2. IC 20-12-22.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
 26 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 27 JULY 1, 2001]:  
 28 Chapter 22.5. Loan Repayment for Certain Teachers  
 29 Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the state  
 30 student assistance commission established by IC 20-12-21-4.  
 31 Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "eligible institution of higher  
 32 learning" has the meaning set forth in IC 20-12-21.7-2.  
 33 Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "school year" has the meaning  
 34 set forth in IC 21-2-12-3(h).  
 35 Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "teacher" refers to an individual  
 36 who has:  
 37 (1) successfully completed a student exploratory teaching  
 38 program under IC 20-10.1-30;  
 39 (2) received an initial standard teaching license under  
 40 IC 20-6.1; and  
 41 (3) been employed by an Indiana school corporation to teach.  
 42 Sec. 5. (a) The commission shall enter into a written agreement

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with a teacher that provides that for each school year:

(1) during the five (5) school year period following the teacher's graduation from an eligible institution of higher learning; and

(2) during which the teacher is employed by an Indiana school corporation to teach;

the commission shall assume the repayment of fifteen percent (15%) of the initial balance of any student loans the teacher received to attend an eligible institution of higher learning as an undergraduate.

(b) A teacher may enter into an agreement annually for each of the first five (5) school years the teacher is employed by an Indiana school corporation to teach during the five (5) school year period following the teacher's graduation from an eligible institution of higher learning.

Sec. 6. The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to carry out this chapter. Rules adopted under this section may require a teacher to provide proof that the teacher:

(1) successfully completed a student exploratory teaching program under IC 20-10.1-30; and

(2) is employed by an Indiana school corporation to teach.

SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002] (a) As used in this SECTION, "department" refers to the department of education established by IC 20-1-1.1-2.

(b) As used in this SECTION, "program" refers to a student exploratory teaching program established under IC 20-10.1-30, as added by this act.

(c) During the 2002-2003 school year, the department may award a grant in an amount of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to a school corporation that has established a program. Not more than twenty (20) grants may be awarded under this SECTION.

(d) The department shall develop and publish criteria to use in determining whether a school corporation will receive a grant under this section. In selecting school corporations to receive grants, the department must ensure, to the extent possible, that diverse geographical regions of Indiana are represented.

(e) There is appropriated to the department of education three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) from the state general fund for its use in providing grants under this SECTION beginning July 1, 2002, and ending June 30, 2003.

(f) This SECTION expires June 30, 2003.

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